July 25, 1996

Mr. Allen P. Stayman
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U.S. Department of the Interior
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Mr. Stayman:

Thank you for your letter dated 6 June regarding Section 104(3)(2) of Public Law 99-239 requiring at one year intervals that the President of the United States shall report to Congress regarding the impact of the Compact of Free Association on the U.S. territories.

Pursuant to your request that the American Samoa Government submit a report on this issue, I offer the following brief statement:

This government does not see any impact on American Samoa resulting from the Compact of Free Association. Should this situation change, you can be assured that we will notify the Department of the Interior as quickly as deemed necessary.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention and providing us an opportunity to present our statement.

Sincerely,

A. P. LUTALI
Governor